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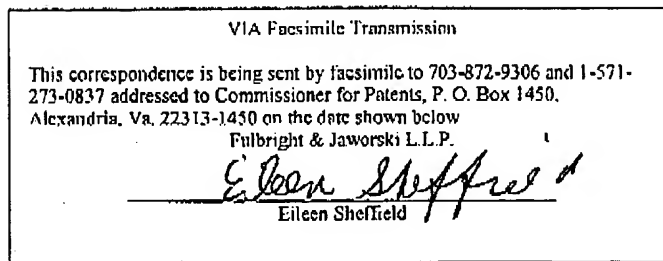
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STATUS REQUEST

SIR:

This application was filed on February 19, 2002, over 2 years ago.

According to PTO guidelines, as reported in the Official Gazette, it ought to have been examined some time ago.

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Applicants call for an explanation for the delay, and information on when examination will take place.

Respectfully submitted,

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